

THE PETITION

OF THE

COUNCIL

OF THE

TOWNSHIP OF YORK

PRAYING FOR

AMENDMENTS

TO THE

MUNICIPAL ACT.

*To The Honorable, The HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY of
the Province of Ontario.*

THE PETITION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP
OF YORK, BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL THEREOF;

SHEWETH :

That the Municipal Council of the said Corporation have adopted a resolution to the effect that :

" WHEREAS it is often necessary to open new streets and to make other local improvements which would materially enhance the value of the property so opened up or improved, " it is the opinion of this Council that Township Councils should have conferred on them " the power to open new streets and to tax certain localities in whole or in part for the " maintenance of roads already established, and to make other needed local improvements, " after having obtained the consent of the parties owning at least one-half in value of the " property through which or alongside of which such street shall run, or of the property " to be benefited by such local improvement, and to impose a frontage tax on all property " immediately benefited by the opening of such new street or the making of such local " improvement to pay all expenses incurred in connection with the same ;

" And whereas it is desirable that Township Councils should have power to compound or " commute from year to year, or for a term of years, the statute labor in any or different " portions of their Municipality, without first obtaining the consent of the ratepayers whose " statute labor it is deemed desirable by the Council to commute or compound ;

" And whereas it is desirable that Councils of Townships should have the power to impose " a frontage tax for the purpose of building sewers or other suitable drains in parts of Townships " where it is deemed advisable to do so, at the expense of the property to be so drained and " benefited thereby ;

" Therefore, be it resolved—

" That this Council do respectfully petition the Ontario Legislature, at its next Session, to " so alter and amend the Municipal Act as to confer on Township Councils the powers herein- " before mentioned."

Your petitioners therefore pray that your Honorable Body will be pleased to amend "The Municipal Act" in accordance with the prayer of this petition.

And your petitioners will ever pray.

The Council of the of

*..... recommends the within petition to the
favorable consideration of the House of Assembly*

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Warden or Reeve.*

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Clerk.*